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GLOBAL RELEAF OF MICHIGAN SEEKS COMMUNITY GROUPS TO PLANT TREES

Ann Arbor, Michigan – Global ReLeaf of Michigan, Inc. a state-wide, non-profit, volunteer based tree organization whose mission is "To educate the public about the value of trees and the need to properly select, plant, and maintain them" is currently seeking partnerships with neighborhood organizations throughout Michigan that are interested in planting trees on public property in their communities. Global ReLeaf volunteers work with each community group to plan the planting event, arrange for the purchase and delivery of the trees and provide technical assistance on the day of planting. The community supplies the volunteers to plant the trees. Plantings are done on a cost sharing basis with Global ReLeaf of Michigan matching up to 50% of the cost of the trees up to \$1,000.00.

Global ReLeaf emphasizes planting trees in areas with heavy resident use and little tree cover, such as playgrounds, parks, schoolyards and roadways. This is a great way for groups to improve their community by helping replace trees lost to the emerald ash borer, recent storms and area development. Since 1988 Global ReLeaf has worked with over 300 community groups in both the upper and lower peninsulas, to plant over 25,000 trees between 4 and 10 feet tall.

For more information about Global ReLeaf and our community partnerships, or to receive a copy of Global ReLeaf of Michigan's "Neighborhood Tree Planting Application," please call Global ReLeaf of Michigan at 1-800-642-7353. Neighborhood tree planting applications are accepted year round for Spring & Fall plantings. Information is also available on our website www.globalreleaf.org.